## CITY OF SANTA BARBARA WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

**Date:** April 16, 2015

**To:** Harbor Commission

From: Scott Riedman, Waterfront Director

**Subject:** Harbor Operations Report

## OPERATION CLEAN SWEEP MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>

The ninth annual Operation Clean Sweep, a volunteer seafloor cleanup program, will take place on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Targeting debris below Marina One, fingers Q, R and S, this event marks the project's first complete circumnavigation of the Harbor, an effort that began in 2007 in Marina Four. To date, Clean Sweep has resulted in disposal of 15.7 tons of seafloor debris, and next year will begin again in Marina Four, hopefully with less "bountiful" results.

Typically, Clean Sweep draws 40-50 volunteer dock workers, aided by about a dozen divers from harbor-area dive-service companies. It's a fun and productive "fishing trip" that yields surprises ranging from barbeques and bow pulpits to deck chairs, satellite dishes and more. Plus, there are free donuts and coffee in the morning and a free lunch at 11:00, a.m. when the "fishing" is finished.

So if you want to participate in this year's event and help celebrate nine years of environmental success, please contact Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 805-897-2587 or via email at <a href="mailto:mkronman@santabarbaraca.gov">mkronman@santabarbaraca.gov</a>

## HARBOR NAUTICAL SWAP MEET AND HAZMAT TURN-IN DAY MAY 9TH

The ninth annual Harbor Nautical Swap Meet, an event that continues to gain popularity (58 vendors participated last year), takes place on May 9<sup>th</sup>. A benefit for the Harbor Merchants Association (HMA), the Swap Meet allows boaters to buy and sell marine items (including kayaks, surfboards, fishing tackle and all manner of boat rigging) before boating season begins in earnest. Applications for \$10 vendor spots (each the size of a parking stall) are now available at the Harbormaster's Office and on the Waterfront Department's website. As usual, a Hazmat turn-in will accompany the Nautical Swap Meet, an opportunity for slip permittees to clear their dock boxes of petroleum products, varnish, paint cans and such.

And remember—there will be free coffee, donuts, bagels and fruit for vendors and the public, thanks to Santa Barbara Roasting Company, the Berry Man and HMA. So whether buying, selling or just perusing, this is a Harbor event you don't want to miss. Questions? Contact Mick Kronman, Harbor Operations Manager, at 805-897-2587.

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